



Integrated Justice in Washington State

July 19-23, 2004

Activity in the JIN Program Office

Activities this week centered on Tuesday's Board meeting and on the refining of several key planning documents.

Summary Offender Profile (SOP)

I presented the results of the SOP pilot and the recommendations of the Technical Advisory Group to the Board on July 20. Although the pilot identified work remaining before we can deploy the application statewide, the response regarding the general setup of SOP and its potential was generally very positive. I need Templar to confirm the data sources from the design document (currently incomplete) and we can then proceed with identifying records for functional testing and necessary additions to the user documentation. Many of the difficulties encountered by SOP pilot users were the result of expected data that SOP does not yet query or queries in a different way. This is largely an awareness issue, which better documentation and customer support can easily resolve.

Byrne Grant

The Board approved the proposed scope of work for my Byrne Grant proposal, and I have worked with the RFP coordinator to finalize the proposal. I am also delighted to announce that Tom Clarke (AOC), Trever Esko (King County), George Helton (Yakima County) and Dan Parsons (WSP) have agreed to serve on the project steering committee. I am currently working with this group to make sure the effort requested is precisely defined and that the project is structured in a manner that provides the most tangible benefit to the JIN community.

I also restructured the proposal (in form only) in response to a request from Bev Hempleman of OFM. This is to help with the plan that OFM is required to file annually with CTED in order to receive the money ordered set aside by the federal government from the Byrne Grant for improvements to criminal history.

September Report

I presented the Recommendations Summary and budget options from the draft Strategic Plan to the Board, which endorsed both. I also presented a complete copy of the preliminary draft along with a request for comments. I will present a final version of the plan for approval by the Board at the next meeting on August 17. I also prepared the first draft of the Decision Package for the Program Office, which is to be submitted by DIS on August 18. I will work with DIS staff over the next two weeks to refine the proposal, which reflects the budget options presented to the Board on Tuesday. I also sent a draft transmittal letter for the September report to Steve Clem for review. When the final version is ready, I will set about collecting signatures from all Board members.